

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Final Action mailed October 6, 2004. In order to advance prosecution of this Application, Claims 1, 6, 9, 12, and 14 have been amended. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and favorable action in this Application.

Claims 1-5, 7-11, and 13-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Austin, et al. in view of Davis III, et al. Independent Claims 1, 9, and 14 recite the limitation of Claims 6 and 12 deemed allowable by the Examiner, namely ". . . [place] an I/O wrapper around the render job and any files accompanying the render job to permit access to said render job and files only by the render job . . ." By contrast, neither the Austin, et al. nor Davis III, et al. patents have any disclosure with respect to placing an I/O wrapper around the render job as provided by the claimed invention. Therefore, Claims 1-5, 7-11, and 13-20 are patentably distinct from the proposed Austin, et al. - Davis III, et al. combination.

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowablity of Claims 6 and 12 if placed into appropriate independent form. As discussed above, the allowable limitation of Claims 6 and 12 have been placed into Independent Claims 1, 9, and 14. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1-20 are in condition for allowance.

This Response to Examiner's Final Action is necessary to address the new grounds of rejection and newly cited art raised by the Examiner. This response to examiner's Final action could not have been presented earlier as the examiner has only now raised the new grounds of rejection and newly cited art in the present Final Action.

CONCLUSION

Applicant has now made an earnest attempt to place this Application in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons, and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all pending claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

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